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Hon. W. Lee O'Daniel
Governor of Texas
Austin, Texas

Dear Governor O'Daniel:

Opinion No. O-2371

Re: The purchase by the Southwestern Associated Telephone Company of all of the properties of the Haskell Telephone Company.

Your communication of May 16, 1940, requests the opinion of this department as to whether a proposed transaction, if consummated, whereby the Southwestern Associated Telephone Company will acquire by purchase all of the properties of the Haskell Telephone Company, would be in violation of the statutes of Texas, with specific reference to the anti-trust laws.

There was enclosed with your letter a copy of the application of the Southwestern Associated Telephone Company with the Federal Communications Commission for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity pertaining thereto.

You are respectfully advised that in our opinion the consummation of this transaction, upon the facts as presented, will not involve a violation of the statutes of Texas in any respect.

Very truly yours

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

By (Signed)
Zellie C. Steakley
Assistant

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APPROVED: May 23, 1940
Gerald C. Mann (Signed)
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CHAIRMAN